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REMARKS

In Applicant's response dated November 8, 2005, Applicant amended the claims to indicate that the nutritional foods or nutritional products have a water activity of less than about 0.47. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's suggestion that a new search is required in light of this amendment. As amended, the claims provide a more description of the instant nutritional food or nutritional product (i.e., a food or product with low moisture content) without changing the components of the composition, namely at least one carbohydrate probiotic bacteria, at ingredient, at least one fat ingredient, and at least one protein ingredient. Thus, Applicant respectfully believes that a new search of the prior art is not required as a search for compositions, inclusive of wet and dry compositions, containing these components has already been conducted.

Applicant believes that the foregoing comprises a full and complete response to the Advisory Action of record. Accordingly,

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favorable reconsideration and subsequent allowance of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

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